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SUBJECT: DEPORTATION CASE OF GUILLERMO CASTRO

REF: MANAGUA 75 4761

1. FOREIGN MINISTER HAS SENT A NOTE DATED JANUARY 17 (RECEIVED JANUARY 21) REFERRING TO EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATIONS ON BEHALF OF GUILLERMO CASTRO WHO WAS DEPORTED FROM NICARAGUA, ALLEGEDLY BECAUSE OF A BUSINESS DISPUTE ON OCTOBER 31, 1975. NOTE MAINTAINS THAT CASTRO WAS DISCOVERED WORKING IN NICARAGUA IN TOURIST STATUS AND WAS DEPORTED. IT ADDS THAT THIS DOES NOT BAR CASTRO FROM RETURNING TO NICARAGUA TO LITIGATE HIS CASE. THE TRANSLATION OF THE COMPLETE EXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

MR. AMBASSADOR:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ADDRESS YOUR EXCELLENCY AND REFER TO YOUR NOTE NO. 24 OF NOVEMBER 24, 1975 AND NO. 29 OF DECEMBER 11, 1975, CONCERNING THE DEPORTATION OF MR. GUILLERMO CASTRO.

IN REGARD TO YOUR INQUIRY, I INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY, THAT THE REASON FOR THE DEPORTATION OF MR. CASTRO WAS HIS ILLEGALLY WORKING IN NICARAGUA WITHOUT HAVING OBTAINED RESIDENCE IN THE COUNTRY; THAT IS, HE WAS IN TOURIST STATUS.

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THE FOREGOING IS NOT AN OBSTACLE FOR MR. CASTRO'S BEING ABLE TO COME TO NICARAGUA AND HAVING FREE ACCESS TO THE COURTS OF THIS COUNTRY IN ORDER TO PURSUE ANY LEGAL ACTION.

I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

ALEJANDRO MONTIEL ARGUELLO
MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS.

2. ON JANUARY 20, BEFORE RECEIVING THE NOTE AMBASSADOR BROUGHT UP CASTRO CASE WITH PRESIDENT SOMOZA. WHILE PRESIDENT SAID HE DID NOT HAVE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE MATTER, HE INDICATED AT ONE POINT THAT BECUASE OF CASTRO'S CUBANORIGIN, NICARAGUAN IMMIGRATION LAWS MAY HAVE TREATED HIM DIFFERENTLY FROM OTHER US CITIZENS. PRESIDENT SOMOZA PROMISED AMBASSADOR THAT GON WOULD SOON GIVE RESPONSE TO OUR DECEMBER 11 NOTE, WHICH ARRIVED NEXT DAY.
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